

Amendments to the Specification:

Please change the title of the application, on page 1 of the specification, to:

EFFICIENT NETWORK INFORMATION COLLECTION AND TRANSMISSION

Please delete previous abstract at page 19 and add the following new abstract (also attached as Attachment 1):

A method and system include collecting information in a network device, the information representing a plurality of events, the events having taken place in an event order, determining in the network device when to transmit a subset of the collected information to a collection system, the subset having a plurality of elements; and determining, in the network device, a transmission order in which to transmit the elements of the subset, the transmission order being independent of the event order.

Include clean abstract on a separate sheet as an attachment